

where she served on the mission society and often volunteered to help feed the homeless. She has worked hard under harsh conditions and unfair practices. She lived to witness many epic eras and events in history. And yet, through it all she has remained steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, and we know her labor is not in vain.

Mr. Speaker, on this momentous occasion, please join me in wishing Ms. Carrie Patterson Thomas a happy and wonderful 100th birthday.

CONGRATULATING LYNETTA GRINER—2018 FLORIDA FARMER OF THE YEAR

HON. NEAL P. DUNN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an outstanding member of the Second Congressional District of Florida, Ms. Lynetta Griner. Ms. Griner was recently named the 2018 Florida Farmer of the Year. This designation makes her a finalist for the Southeast Regional Farmer of the Year Award.

Ms. Griner owns and operates Usher Land and Timber Inc. in Levy County, specializing in timber and cattle production. In 2013, she was named Florida's Woman of the Year in Agriculture and she was the first female president of the Florida Forestry Association.

Ms. Griner also served on the Suwannee River Management District's governing board for 14 years and with her family, she has raised more than \$1 million for the Children's Miracle Network at the University of Florida Health Shands Children's Hospital.

In 2017, she was one of 15 farmers and ranchers from across the country to participate in an agriculture roundtable hosted by President Trump at the White House. Lynetta is a champion for Florida agriculture, and has dedicated her life to giving back to her community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating Ms. Lynetta Griner, Florida's 2018 Farmer of the Year, and thanking her for her years of service to Florida.

CONGRATULATING TODD MAY

HON. ROBERT B. ADERHOLT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

Mr. ADERHOLT. Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate Todd May, who has announced his retirement as Director of Marshall Space Flight Center.

Todd May is one of our nation's civil servants who has demonstrated outstanding leadership, management ability, and vision. He was appointed Marshall deputy director in August 2015 at the Nov. 13, 2015 retirement of Patrick Scheuermann, and was subsequently appointed Director.

The jobs Todd has excelled at are never easy, but the circumstances under which he took them, and excelled, are circumstances which represent especially challenging times.

During the early part of a new Administration, Todd, in 2011, led the Space Launch

System (SLS) program. Despite different schools of thought in Washington, Todd took the program through a series of milestones, including a successful in-depth critical design review. Thanks to Todd's leadership, SLS was successfully handed off to the next manager when Todd was asked to be Marshall Space Flight Center Director.

Marshall has approximately 6,000 civil service and contractor employees, and an annual budget of approximately \$2.5 billion. What some do not know is that Marshall has a heritage not only of excellence in launch development but also in NASA's other endeavors, including, for example, the engineering planning which allowed the Hubble Telescope to be refocused and to reach its full potential.

One of Todd's other previous jobs made him very qualified for this part of Marshall's work as well. Todd served as a deputy associate administrator in the Science Mission Directorate at NASA headquarters in Washington from 2007 to 08, responsible for a \$5 billion portfolio of robotic programs and projects, including more than 100 spacecraft at various stages of formulation, development and operations.

Of course, there is no pressure at all in being appointed as Director of Marshall Space Flight Center—unless of course you notice the statues of Von Braun, and all the Saturn rockets which seem to meet your gaze no matter what direction you are driving.

I am not surprised that Todd excelled again at this broad management task. He brought out the best in his managers, kept Marshall viable as a competitor in various projects, and leaves Marshall in good shape to continue its key role in NASA's human exploration programs. His leadership also extends to concepts which will bear fruition in the future, such as nuclear thermal propulsion.

Despite his many jobs at NASA, and national recognition for his work by Aviation Week, I know that this young boy growing up in Fairhope, Alabama still counts, as one of his most enjoyable achievements, his engineering degree from Auburn University, and the title of Distinguished Engineer, bestowed on him by the University.

I wish Todd and his family all the best, and I know that whatever tasks he puts his hands to, he will be not only a success, but also a blessing to his community and to this nation.

TRIBUTE TO COMMANDER AND DISTRICT ENGINEER OF THE DETROIT DISTRICT, U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, LIEUTENANT COLONEL DENNIS P. SUGRUE

HON. JOHN R. MOOLENAAR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

Mr. MOOLENAAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the service of Lieutenant Colonel Dennis Sugrue as the Commander and District Engineer of the Detroit District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Since graduating from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point and receiving his commission in 1999, Lieutenant Colonel Sugrue has exemplified the Mission and Vision of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Lieutenant Colonel Sugrue's extensive career has taken him across the United States and around the world. From New York to Germany, to deployments in Kosovo and Afghanistan, where he did two tours, his dedication and leadership has been an asset in every position.

Lieutenant Colonel Sugrue has been recognized with numerous military awards and decorations including the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, and Army Achievement Medal, among others. These well-deserved accolades speak to Lieutenant Colonel Sugrue's leadership and commitment to service, which are amplified by his honor and integrity.

I had the pleasure of getting to know Lieutenant Colonel Sugrue during his tenure as commander of the Detroit District, which he assumed in July 2016. As the commander, he is responsible for carrying out the District's mission in Michigan, sections of Wisconsin, Minnesota and Indiana, as well as four of the Great Lakes. The District's 82,000 square miles of land includes 4,000 miles of Great Lakes shoreline and the Soo Locks, which are vitally important to the nation's economy and security.

Lieutenant Colonel Sugrue went above and beyond to understand the importance of natural resources and outdoor heritage to the state of Michigan and surrounding region. I especially commend his hard work to advance the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative and the Great Lakes navigation system, including combatting the spread of invasive species and construction of a new Soo Lock.

His expertise is second to none and we have been fortunate to have Lieutenant Colonel Sugrue at the helm of the Detroit District. It has been an honor and a privilege to know Lieutenant Colonel Sugrue over the past two years. I wish him, his wife Flori and sons Sean and Connor, all the best in the future.

RECOGNIZING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF REAR ADMIRAL PAMELA M. SCHWEITZER

HON. PAUL A. GOSAR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

Mr. GOSAR. Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure to stand today to recognize the distinguished career of a remarkable constituent of mine, Rear Admiral Pamela A. Schweitzer. Rear Admiral Schweitzer is retiring after proudly serving her country for nearly 30 years.

After receiving her Bachelor's degree in biology in Biological Sciences from California State University Fullerton, Rear Admiral Schweitzer went on to earn a Doctor of Pharmacy from University of California San Francisco and an Ambulatory Care/Administrative Residency at University of California Irvine Medical Center. She is a Board Certified Ambulatory Care Pharmacist, and currently serves as Executive Master of Health Administration Program at the University of Southern California Sol Price School of Public Policy.

On August 7, 2014 Rear Admiral Schweitzer was appointed to be the first female Chief Professional Officer of Pharmacy for the United States Public Health Service. As Chief Pharmacy Officer, Rear Admiral Schweitzer was